

Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS:

- Hard Condensed Matter Physics: Correlated Electron Systems, Topological Order, and Quantum Information
- Non-Equilibrium Statistical Physics: Network Dynamics, Diffusion-Limited Aggregation, and Fractal Growth Models
- Soft Matter Physics: Granular Matter and Vortex Dynamics

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT:

- Technical Staff Member, Los Alamos National Laboratory, January 2001-present (1/2001-12/2003 as Richard P. Feynman Fellow, 1/2006-present as Full Term Technical Staff Member).
- Director's Fellowship, Los Alamos National Laboratory, 2000.
- R. H. Dicke Fellow, Princeton University, 1997-2000.
- PhD in Physics September 1997. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Thesis: "A Renormalization Approach to Diffusion Limited Aggregation", advisor Leonid Levitov.
- BS in Mathematics and Physics June 1994. Yale University, New Haven, CT, *Magna cum laude* with distinction in the major.

PRIZES AND AWARDS:

- LANL Achievement Award, 2004.
- LANL Postdoctoral Distinguished Performance Team Award, 2003.
- Lockett Award, MIT, 1997.
- National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1994-1997.

- Compton Graduate Fellowship, MIT, 1994-1996.
- De Forest Senior Prize in Mathematics, Yale, 1994.
- Howard L. Schultz Prize in Physics, Yale, 1994.
- Anthony D. Stanley Prize in Mathematics, Yale, 1993.

INVITED TALKS:

- Symposium on DLA, 1997 APS March Meeting, “A Renormalization Approach to Diffusion Limited Aggregation”.
- EU School on Multifractals - Mathematics and Applications, Jan 4-8, 1999, “Renormalization of Diffusion Limited Aggregation”.
- Conference on Scaling and Universality in Strongly Nonlinear Systems, Cuernavaca, Mexico, 2000, “High-Dimensional Diffusive Growth”.
- Workshop on Pattern Formation and Diffusion Limited Growth, Michigan Center for Theoretical Physics, August 6-10, 2001, “Growth Exponents with 3.99 Walkers”.
- James Franck Institute, University of Chicago, 1997.
- Lucent Technologies, Murray Hill, NJ, 1997.
- Institute for Theoretical Physics, University of California, Santa Barbara 1997.
- Harvard University 1997.
- Yale University, 1997.
- Lucent Technologies, 1999.
- Brookhaven National Laboratory, 1999.
- University of Catania, Italy, 1999.
- James Franck Institute, University of Chicago, 1999.
- Lucent Technologies, Murray Hill, NJ, 2000.
- NEC Research Institute, Princeton, NJ, 2000.
- Yale University, 2000.
- ExxonMobil Research and Engineering, Annandale, NJ, 2000.
- Brown University, Providence, RI, 2001.
- Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, 2001.

- Emory University, Atlanta, GA, 2001.
- James Franck Institute, University of Chicago, 2001.
- Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 2002.
- Centro Internacional de Ciencias, Cuernavaca, Mexico, 2002.
- Institut Henri Poincare, Paris, France, 2003.
- CNLS Annual Conference, Santa Fe, NM, 2003.
- University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 2003.
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, 2003.
- MIT, Cambridge, MA, 2003.
- Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 2003.
- University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ, 2004.
- MIT, Cambridge, MA, 2004.
- University of California Davis, Davis, CA, 2004.
- ICTP, Trieste, Italy, 2004.
- Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, 2004.
- Brown University, Providence, RI, 2004.
- Boston University, Boston, MA, 2004.
- ETH Zurich, Switzerland, 2004.
- Paul Scherrer Institute, Switzerland, 2004.
- Dynamics Days 2005 Invited Talk, Long Beach, CA, 2005.
- UC Santa Barbara Physics Colloquium, Santa Barbara, CA, 2005.
- ICTP, Trieste, Italy, 2005.
- Yale University, New Haven, CT, 2005.
- Caltech, Pasadena, CA, 2006.
- Conference on Topological Phases and Quantum Computation, KITP, Santa Barbara, CA, 2006.
- Workshop on Stochastic Geometry and Field Theory, KITP, Santa Barbara, CA, 2006.
- 96th Statistical Mechanics Conference, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 2006.

- Workshop on Lieb-Robinson Bounds and Applications, Erwin Schrodinger Institute, Vienna, Austria, 2007.
- Syracuse University, 2007.
- Workshop on Computational Complexity of Quantum Hamiltonian Systems, Lorentz Center, Leiden, The Netherlands, 2007.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- Reviewer for Mathematical Reviews.
- Reviewer for Physical Review Letters, B, and E, Europhysics letters, JSTAT, Physics Letters A, JSTAT, and Journal of Physics; Grant reviewer for NSF, Israeli-US Binational Science Foundation.
- Member, LANL LDRD ER Grant Review Committee, 2005 and 2007.
- Organizer, Statistical Physics of Complex Systems Summer Workshop at Los Alamos, Summer 2002, 2003, and 2004.
- Organizer, Statistical Mechanics Seminar at Los Alamos.
- Member, CNLS Director Search Committee; Member, T-13 Group Leader Search Committee

STUDENTS MENTORED:

- C. Mack, Summer 2007, Statistical Physics of Clustering.
- B. Kozma, Summer 2004, Impurity Averaged Perturbation Theory of Small-World Networks.
- J. A. Drocco, Summer 2003, “Multiscaling at the Jamming Transition”, co-mentors C. J. Olson Reichhardt and C. Reichhardt.

PUBLICITY:

- Work on “Ratchet Cellular Automata” featured in Physical Review Focus, June 20, 2003; Technology Research News, July 16/23, 2003; LANL Director’s Highlights, July 25, 2003; LANL Theoretical Division Research Highlights, 2003.
- Work on “Do Vortices Entangle?” featured in Nature News and Views, D. R. Nelson, Nature **430**, 839 (2004); ScienceWeek, 9/24/2004.
- Work on Large N Spin Glass featured in Bell Labs Condensed Matter Journal Club, November 2003.

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- A. Douglas Stone, Professor of Applied Physics and Physics at Yale University, douglas.stone@yale.edu, (203) 432-4279
- Thomas C. Halsey, ExxonMobil Research and Engineering, thomas.c.chalsey@exxonmobil.com
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- Eli Ben-Naim, Technical Staff Member, T-13, Los Alamos National Laboratory, ebn@t13.lanl.gov

GRANTS:

- 2001: LANL ER, “Statistical Properties of Granular Chains”, with E. Ben-Naim (PI).
- 2002: LANL Start-up Grant, \$50K, with M. Chertkov and Z. Toroczkai
- 2003: LANL Start-up Grant, \$100K, with M. Chertkov and Z. Toroczkai
- 2004: LANL ER, “Quantum Devices for Electronic Circuitry and Advanced Detection”, with I. Martin (PI).
- 2004: LANL DR, “Statistical Physics of Infrastructure Networks”, \$1.2M (FY 2004), \$1.24M (FY 2005), \$1.3M (FY 2006), co-PI.
- 2007: LANL DR, “The Physics of Algorithms”, \$1.22M (FY 2007), \$1.28M (FY 2008), \$1.35M (FY 2009), with M. Chertkov (PI).
- 2008: LANL ER, “Entanglement in Quantum Ground States”, \$328K (FY 2008), \$344K (FY 2009), \$361K (FY 2010).

PUBLICATIONS:

61. M. B. Hastings, “Quantum Belief Propagation”, preprint arxiv: 0706.4094, Phys. Rev. Lett., submitted.
60. M. B. Hastings, “Random Unitaries Give Quantum Expanders”, preprint arxiv:0706.0556, Phys. Rev. A, in press.
59. M. B. Hastings, “An Area Law for One Dimensional Quantum Systems”, preprint arxiv:0705.2024, JSTAT, in press.
58. M. M. Wolf, F. Verstraete, M. B. Hastings, and J. I. Cirac, “Area Laws in Quantum Systems: Mutual Information and Correlations”, preprint arxiv:0704.3907, Nature Physics, submitted.
57. B. Kozma, M. B. Hastings, and G. Korniss, “Diffusion Processes on Small-World Networks with Distance-Dependent Random Links”, preprint arxiv:0704.2564, JSTAT, P08014 (2007).
56. M. B. Hastings, “Entropy and Entanglement in Quantum Ground States”, preprint cond-mat/0701055, Phys. Rev. B **76**, 035114 (2007).
55. M. B. Hastings, “Quasi-Adiabatic Continuation in Gapped Spin and Fermion Systems: Goldstone’s Theorem and Flux Periodicity”, preprint cond-mat/0612538, JSTAT, P05010 (2007).
54. A. Praz, C. Mudry, and M. B. Hastings, “Scaling Relations in Quasi-two-dimensional Heisenberg Antiferromagnet”, preprint cond-mat/0606032, Phys. Rev. B **74**, 184407 (2006).
53. M. B. Hastings, “Community Detection as an Inference Problem”, preprint cond-mat/0604429, Phys. Rev. E **74**, 035102 (2006).
52. S. Bravyi, M. B. Hastings, and F. Verstraete, “Lieb-Robinson Bounds and the Generation of Correlations and Topological Quantum Order”, preprint quant-ph/0603121, Phys. Rev. Lett. **97**, 050401 (2006).
51. C. Amoruso, A. K. Hartmann, M. B. Hastings, M. A. Moore, “Conformal Invariance and SLE in Two-Dimensional Ising Spin Glasses”, preprint cond-mat/0601711, Phys. Rev. Lett. **97**, 267202 (2006).
50. M. B. Hastings, “Systematic Series Expansions for Processes on Networks”, preprint cond-mat/0511129, Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 148701 (2006).
49. M. B. Hastings, “Solving Gapped Hamiltonians Locally”, preprint cond-mat/0508554, Phys. Rev. B **73**, 085115 (2006).

48. M. B. Hastings and T. Koma, “Spectral Gap and Exponential Decay of Correlations”, preprint math-ph/0507008, Commun. Math. Phys. **265**, 781 (2006).
47. M. B. Hastings and C. Mudry, “Universal Scaling Relations in Strongly Anisotropic Materials”, preprint cond-mat/0506294, Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 027215 (2006).
46. M. B. Hastings and Xiao-Gang Wen, “Quasi-adiabatic Continuation of Quantum States: The Stability of Topological Ground State Degeneracy and Emergent Gauge Invariance”, preprint cond-mat/0503554, Phys. Rev. B **72**, 045141 (2005).
45. B. Kozma, M. B. Hastings, and G. Korniss, “Diffusion Processes on Power-Law Small-World Networks”, preprint cond-mat/0501509, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 018701 (2005).
44. M. B. Hastings, “Sufficient Conditions for Topological Order in Insulators”, preprint cond-mat/0411094, Europhys. Lett. **70**, 824 (2005).
43. D. Mozyrsky, M. B. Hastings, and I. Martin, “Intermittent polaron dynamics: Born-Oppenheimer out of equilibrium”, preprint cond-mat/0410721, Phys. Rev. B **73**, 35104 (2006).
42. M. B. Hastings, “Statistical Mechanics of Interfering Links”, preprint cond-mat/0410038, Phys. Rev. E Rapids **72**, 015102 (2005).
41. M. B. Hastings, “An ϵ -expansion for Small-World Networks”, preprint cond-mat/0407374, Eur. Phys. Jour. B. **42**, 297 (2004).
40. M. B. Hastings, “Decay of Correlations in Fermi Systems at Non-zero Temperature”, preprint cond-mat/0406348, Phys. Rev. Lett. **93**, 126402 (2004).
39. M. B. Hastings, “Locality in Quantum and Markov Dynamics on Lattices and Networks”, preprint cond-mat/0405587, Phys. Rev. Lett. **93**, 140402 (2004).
38. M. B. Hastings, “Spin-Orbit Scattering and Time-Reversal Symmetry: Detection of a Spin by Tunneling”, preprint cond-mat/0401151, Phys. Rev. B Rapids **70**, 161301 (2004).
37. C. Reichhardt, C.J. Olson Reichhardt, and M.B. Hastings, “Nonlinear dynamics, rectification, and phase locking for particles on symmetrical two-dimensional periodic substrates with dc and circular ac drives”, preprint cond-mat/0312620, Phys. Rev. E **69**, 056115 (2004).
36. D. Mozyrsky, I. Martin, A. Shnirman, and M. B. Hastings, “Renormalization of resonant tunneling in MOSFETs”, preprint cond-mat/0312503, J. Comp. and Theor. Nanoscience **4**, 772 (2007).
35. J. A. Drocco, M. B. Hastings, C. J. Olson Reichhardt, and C. Reichhardt, “Multiscaling at Point J : Jamming is a Critical Phenomenon”, preprint cond-mat/0310291, Phys. Rev. Lett. **95**, 088001 (2005).

34. M. B. Hastings and B. Kozma, “Critical Phenomena in a Small World”, in *Complex Networks*, edited by E. Ben-Naim, H. Frauenfelder, and Z. Toroczkai (Lecture Notes in Physics, Springer, 2004).
33. B. Kozma, M. B. Hastings, and G. Korniss, “Roughness Scaling for Edwards-Wilkinson Relaxation in Small-World Networks”, preprint cond-mat/0309196, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 108701 (2004).
32. C. Reichhardt, C. J. Olson Reichhardt, and M. B. Hastings, “Glassy Ratchets for Collectively Interacting Particles”, preprint cond-mat/0308097, Phys. Lett. A **342**, 162 (2005).
31. C. J. Olson Reichhardt and M. B. Hastings, “Do Vortices Entangle?”, preprint cond-mat/0307374, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 157002 (2004); featured in Nature News and Views.
30. D. Mozyrsky, I. Martin, and M. B. Hastings, “Quantum limited sensitivity of SET-based displacement detectors”, preprint cond-mat/0306480, Phys. Rev. Lett. **92**, 018303 (2004).
29. M. B. Hastings, “Lieb-Schultz-Mattis in Higher Dimensions”, preprint cond-mat/0305505, Phys. Rev. B **69**, 104431 (2004).
28. M. B. Hastings, “Mean-Field and Anomalous Behavior on a Small-World Network”, preprint cond-mat/0304530, Phys. Rev. Lett. **91**, 098701 (2003).
27. M. B. Hastings, “Random Vibrational Networks and Renormalization Group”, preprint cond-mat/0212303, Phys. Rev. Lett. **90**, 148702 (2003).
26. M. B. Hastings, C. J. Olson Reichhardt, and C. Reichhardt, “Ratchet Cellular Automata”, preprint cond-mat/0211302, Phys. Rev. Lett. **90**, 247004 (2003); featured in Phys. Rev. Focus.
25. M. B. Hastings, C. J. Olson Reichhardt, and C. Reichhardt, “Depinning by Fracture in a Glassy Background”, preprint cond-mat/0209542, Phys. Rev. Lett. **90**, 098302 (2003).
24. M. B. Hastings, I. Martin, and D. Mozyrsky. “Quantum Dynamics in Non-equilibrium Strongly Correlated Environments”, preprint cond-mat/0207005, Phys. Rev. B **68**, 035101 (2003).
23. M. B. Hastings, Z. A. Daya, E. Ben-Naim, and R. E. Ecke, “Entropic Tightening of Vibrated Chains”, preprint cond-mat/0110612, Phys. Rev. E Rapids **66**, 025102 (2002).
22. C. Reichhardt, C.J. Olson, and M.B. Hastings, “Rectification and Phase Locking for Particles on Two Dimensional Periodic Substrates”, Phys. Rev. Lett. **89**, 024101 (2002).

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20. M. B. Hastings, "Exact Multifractal Spectra for Arbitrary Laplacian Random Walks", preprint cond-mat/0109304, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **88**, 055506 (2002).
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17. M. B. Hastings, "Fractal to Nonfractal Phase Transition in the Dielectric Breakdown Model", preprint cond-mat/00103312, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **87**, 175502 (2001).
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10. M. B. Hastings, "Fermionic Mapping For Eigenvalue Correlation Functions Of (Weakly) Non-Hermitian Symplectic Ensemble", preprint cond-mat/9907302, *Nuc. Phys. B* **572** [FS] 535 (2000).
9. M. B. Hastings, "Ground State and Spin Glass Phase of the Large N Infinite Range Spin Glass Via Supersymmetry", preprint cond-mat/9906186, *J. Stat. Phys.* **99**, 171 (2000).
8. M. B. Hastings, "Bose Glass in Large N Commensurate Dirty Boson Model", preprint cond-mat/9811121, *Phys. Rev. B* **64**, 024517 (2001).
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